

A bill for the relief of Charles A Warfield ; read second time, and, on motion of Mr. Taylor, laid on the table.

A bill for the relief of William Goynes ; read.

Mr. Dancy offered the following amendment :

After "Goynes," insert "and Philip Evans, on account of his being in the battle of San Jacinto, each ;" rejected by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Dancy, Doane, Merriman and Scott—4.

NAYS—Messrs. Bigelow, Bogart, Duggan, Eddy, Ford, Gray, Grimes, Hart, Hill, Parker, Reaves, Sterne, Taylor, Truit, Williams and Wilson—16.

Mr. Scott offered the following amendment :

"Provided, that the land hereby granted shall not be alienated by the grantee ;" rejected.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Bigelow, Bogart, Doane, Eddy, Ford, Grimes, Parker, Reaves, Sterne, Truit, Williams and Wilson—12.

NAYS—Messrs. Dancy, Duggan, Gray, Hart, Hill, Merriman, Scott and Taylor—8.

On motion of Mr. Bigelow, the Senate adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, February 7, 1852.

The Senate was called to order by the President pursuant to adjournment—prayer by the Rev. Mr. Smith—roll called—quorum present.

The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Grimes, chairman of the committee on Finance, reported back to the Senate a bill for the relief Frederick Foy, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Reaves, chairman of the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported the following bills correctly engrossed :

A bill supplementary to an act to establish a State penitentiary ;

A bill to create the county and territory of Bell into a separate land district ;

A bill to pay Frederick Dawson, James Schott and E. D. Whitney a part of the amount of the bonds issued by the late Republic of Texas for the navy ;

A bill for the relief of William Goynes ;

A joint resolution to provide for amending the 30th section of the general provisions of the constitution ;

A bill granting one-third of a league of land to Adolphus Sterne and Robert Wilson, each, &c. &c. ;

A bill supplementary to an act entitled an act granting certain powers to the corporation of the city of Galveston, approved December 5th, 1851 ;

A bill for the relief of persons who have hypothecated their evidence of claim against the late Republic of Texas ; and

A bill to incorporate the Sabine Turnpike Company, in Panola county.

Mr. Gray, chairman of the committee on the Judiciary, made the following report :

The committee on the Judiciary have considered a bill "to encourage the opening of a channel through Red Fish bar and at the mouth of the Trinity river." The bill briefly proposes to confer corporate powers on General T. J. Chambers, his heirs or assigns, similar to those given to Wm. M. Spaulding, by an act passed at the present session, so far as the mouth of the Trinity is concerned. Complaint is made that the powers given to Spaulding will enable him to do great injury to the channel below and at the mouth of the river, and also to the property in the neighborhood ; and this act is demanded as a means of counteracting the supposed evil effects of that act. The committee agree that this bill should be amended by striking out all the powers proposed to be given, in relation to Red Fish bar, for the simple reason that the opening of the east channel would most probably close up the west channel, which is the deeper and most used of the two. As to the propriety of granting the powers to individuals, of the nature conferred on Spaulding, and now proposed to be granted to General Chambers, a portion of the committee, including the chairman, do not hesitate to express an unfavorable opinion. Time will develop that the policy is a bad one. The committee, however, return the bill to the Senate for its action, with the annexed amendments.

1st. Amend the caption by striking out the words "through Red Fish bar and."

2nd. Strike out the 3rd and 4th sections.

3rd. In 5th section, third line, strike out the words "either of."

4th. In 6th section, 2nd line, strike out the words "either of."

5th. In 4th line, strike out "respective."

6th. In 6th line, strike out "respectively."

Mr. Duggan introduced a bill supplementary to an act to provide for the safe and profitable investment of the school fund,

approved December 2d, A. D. 1850 ; read first time, and on motion of Mr. Scott, the rule was suspended, bill read second time and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Gray, the rule was further suspended, bill read third time and passed.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate that the House had passed the following bills which originated in the Senate, to wit :

A bill for the relief of Zachariah L. Stringer ;

A bill to incorporate the Texas Central Railroad Company ;

A bill for the relief of the heirs of William Guyman, a deceased soldier ; and

A joint resolution instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in Congress, to use their exertions to obtain indemnity from the government of Mexico, for spoliations committed upon the property of Samuel A. Belden ; also, that the House had passed

A bill to incorporate the Texas Western Railroad Company, and a bill to incorporate the Texas and Louisiana Railroad Company, with amendments.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The resolution of the Senate relative to taking up business out of the regular order, was read and adopted.

A bill granting and securing 640 acres of land to the heirs of George W. Crowles, deceased, to which they are entitled by virtue of the services and death of said George W. Crowles, in the army of the Republic of Texas ; read third time and passed.

A bill to pay E. W. Moore certain second class claims therein named ; read third time, and passed by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Armstrong, Bigelow, Bogart, Doane, Duggan, Ford, Grimes, Hill, Kinney, Merriman, Meusebach, Parker, Sterne, Truit, Williams and Wilson—16.

NAYS—Messrs. Burks, Dancy, Davis, Eddy, Reaves, Scott and Taylor—7.

A bill to pay Frederick Dawson, James Schott and E. D. Whitney a part of the amount of the bonds issued by the late Republic of Texas for the navy ; read third time and passed by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Armstrong, Bigelow, Bogart, Doane, Duggan, Ford, Grimes, Hill, Kinney, Merriman, Meusebach, Parker, Sterne, Truit, Williams and Wilson—16.

NAYS—Messrs. Burks, Dancy, Davis, Eddy, Hart, Reaves, Scott and Taylor—8.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong, the vote just taken was re-considered.

The yeas and nays were then called, on the passage of the bill, and were as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Bigelow, Bogart, Doane, Duggan, Ford, Grimes, Hill, Kinney, Merriman, Meusebach, Parker, Sterne, Truit, Williams and Wilson—15.

NAYS—Messrs. Armstrong, Burks, Dancy, Davis, Eddy, Gray, Hart, Reaves, Scott and Taylor—10.

The President decided that it required a vote of two-thirds to pass the bill ; from which decision Mr. Merriman appealed. The yeas and nays were called, on the appeal, and were as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Burks, Dancy, Davis, Eddy, Gray, Grimes, Hart, Reaves, Scott, Taylor, Truit and Williams—12.

NAYS—Messrs. Armstrong, Bigelow, Doane, Ford, Hill, Kinney, Merriman, Meusebach, Parker and Sterne—10.

So the decision of the President was sustained and bill rejected.

On motion of Mr. Williams, leave of absence was granted to Mr. Reaves for the balance of the session, from and after the 10th instant.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate that the House had passed the following bills, to wit :

A bill for the relief of William R. Smith and others ;

A bill for the relief of Harriet Merritt and heirs ;

A bill for the relief of Jefferson C. Parish ;

A bill for the relief of Marcello Granger and Michael Peveto ;

A bill to authorize the erection of a toll bridge across Big Cypress ;

A bill for the relief of Mary Nail ;

A bill to authorize Preston Witt and Wade H. Witt to locate a tract of land embracing a portion of the channel of the west fork of the Trinity river, and to construct and erect a mill thereon ;

A bill to prevent the locating and patenting of certain lands in Bexar county ;

A bill to regulate mustang chases ;

A bill for the relief of Daniel C. Clark ;

A bill for the benefit of Jackson H. Griffin ;

A bill making an appropriation for the purposes therein named ;

A bill for the relief of James Walker, William C. Walker and James Watson.

A bill to incorporate the Texas and Louisiana Railroad Company, with amendments from the House ; read and amendments adopted.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong, a bill relinquishing to the coun-

ties, the State tax for the years 1852 and 1853, was taken from the table, read third time, and passed by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Armstrong, Bigelow, Burks, Davis, Doane, Duggan, Eddy, Ford, Grimes, Kinney, Merriman, Parker, Reaves, Scott, Taylor, Truit, Williams and Wilson—18.

NAYS—Messrs. Bogart, Dancy, Gray, Hart and Hill—5.

On motion of Mr. Bigelow, the rule requiring reports to lay on the table one day was suspended, and a bill to encourage the opening of a channel through Red Fish bar and at the mouth of the Trinity river, with the report of the committee on the Judiciary, offering amendments thereto, was read and amendments adopted.

Mr. Davis offered the following as a substitute for the bill :

“A bill to repeal an act to encourage the deepening of the Anahuac pass at the mouth of the Trinity river, approved December 20, 1851 ;” adopted, and bill ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the rule was suspended, bill read third time, and passed by a constitutional majority.

A bill for the relief of Levi Korn ; read and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Bogart, the rule was suspended, bill read third time and passed.

A bill to protect campmeetings, and other places of public worship, from molestation or disturbance, was taken up and read first time.

On motion of Mr. Burks, the rule was suspended, bill read second time and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Scott, the rule was further suspended, bill read third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Scott, the Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock p. m.

3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Senate met—roll called—quorum present.

A bill for the relief of Isaac Mullins ; read and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Dancy, the rule was suspended, bill read third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Duggan, the rule requiring reports to lay on the table one day was suspended, and a bill for the relief of Frederick Foy, with the report of the committee on Finance recommending its passage, was taken up, read, and bill ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Duggan, the rule was suspended, bill read third time and passed.

A bill to amend and continue in force, an act to incorporate the Colorado mining company, and other companies for similar purposes, approved 17th January, 1842 ; read and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Doane, the rule was suspended, bill read third time, and passed by a constitutional majority.

A bill for the relief of Francis M. Dimond, together with the report of the committee on Public Lands, offering a substitute therefor, was read, substitute adopted, and bill ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Eddy, the rule was suspended, bill read third time and passed.

A bill supplementary to an act granting certain powers to the corporation of the city of Galveston, approved December 5th, 1851 ; read third time and passed by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Armstrong, Bigelow, Bogart, Davis, Doane, Eddy, Gray, Grimes, Hart, Kinney, Meusebach, Parker, Sterne and Williams—14.

NAYS—Messrs. Dancy, Duggan, Merriman, Reaves, Scott, Taylor and Truit—7.

A bill to provide for the erection of a capitol for the State of Texas ; read first time.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the rule was suspended and bill read second time.

On motion of Mr. Parker, the bill was referred to the committee on State Affairs..

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Edward E. Williams, dec'd, and Agapito Caiton, or his assignee ; read first time.

On motion of Mr. Gray, the rule was suspended, bill read second time and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Gray, the rule was further suspended, bill read third time and passed.

A bill to authorize the erection of a toll bridge across Big Cypress ; read first time.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the rule was suspended, bill read second time and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Scott, the rule was further suspended, bill read third time and passed by a constitutional majority.

A bill for the relief of Charles A. Warfield ; read and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Hart, the rule was suspended, bill read third time and passed.

A bill for the relief of Antonio Menchaca ; read second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Meusebach, the rule was suspended, bill read third time, and passed unanimously.

A bill granting Adolphus Sterne and Robert Wilson, each, one-third of a league of land, as a testimonial of the gratitude of the people of Texas for their patriotic and important services during the revolution; read third time.

On motion of Mr. Dancy, the bill was amended by adding, after "Wilson, "Col. John H. Moore." The bill then passed.

A bill for the relief of Jesse Walling, assignee, &c.; read first time.

On motion of Mr. Reaves, the rule was suspended, bill read second time and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the rule was further suspended, bill read third time and passed.

A bill to give certain civil and criminal jurisdiction to the mayor of the city of Mashall, in Harrison county; read first time, and on motion Mr. Scott, the rule was suspended, bill read second time and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Scott, the rule was further suspended, bill read third time and passed.

A bill for the relief of Jacob De Corva and Isaac D. Parker; read second time.

Mr. Merriman offered the following amendment:

Insert an additional section: "3. That Edward Wood be entitled to the benefits of this act." Adopted.

The bill was then passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Armstrong, Bigelow, Bogart, Doane, Ford, Grimes, Kinney, Meusebach, Parker, Sterne, Truit and Williams—12.

NAYS—Messrs. Dancy, Davis, Duggan, Gray, Scott and Taylor—6.

A bill for the relief of Joseph H. Wood; read second time.

Mr. Grimes offered the following amendment:

Insert, at the end of first section, "for transportation and storage of arms." Adopted, and bill passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Sterne, the rule was suspended, bill read third time and passed.

A bill for the relief of Jacob Shannon, together with the report of the committee on the Judiciary offering an amendment thereto, was read, amendments adopted and bill passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Grimes, the rule was suspended, bill read third time and passed.

A bill to enable persons who have lost their evidence of claim against the late Republic of Texas to obtain duplicates; read third time and passed.

A bill making an appropriation for the purposes therein named; read first time.

On motion of Mr. Hill, the rule was suspended and bill read second time.

Mr. Gray offered the following amendment:

Strike out of the caption, "for the purposes therein named," and insert "for the payment of a portion of the public debt not provided for." Adopted, and bill referred to the committee on Finance.

A bill for the relief of William C. Swearingen, together with the report of the committee on Private Land Claims offering a substitute therefor, was read, substitute adopted, and bill ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Scott, the rule was suspended, bill read third time and passed.

A bill for the relief of Elijah Emberson and Samuel C. Doss; read second time and ordered to be engrossed:

On motion of Mr. Williams, the rule was suspended, bill read third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Gray, the vote which rejected a bill to pay Frederick Dawson, James Schott and E. D. Whitney a part of the amount of the bonds issued by the late Republic of Texas for the navy, was re-considered by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Armstrong, Bogart, Doane, Eddy, Ford, Gray, Grimes, Hart, Hill, Kinney, Merriman, Parker, Scott, Sterne, Truit and Williams—16.

NAYS—Messrs. Dancy and Taylor—2.

On motion of Mr. Taylor, the bill was laid on the table.

A bill supplementary to an act to establish a state penitentiary; read third time and passed.

A bill to incorporate the Texas Western Railroad Company, with amendments from the House, was read, and first and third amendments adopted, and second amendment rejected.

Joint resolution for the relief of Robert M. Elgin, receiving clerk of the General Land Office; read and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Ford, the rule was suspended, bill read third time and passed.

Mr. Ford introduced a bill concerning the archives of the Legislature; read first time, and on motion of Mr. Sterne, the rule was suspended, bill read second time, and referred to the committee on Finance.

On motion, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock Monday morning.